

INTIMATIONS.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, AND POOCHOW.
THE Steamship

"DOUGLAS."
 Captain Pitman will be despatched for the
 above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 4th inst.
 Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAFFRAIK & Co.,
 Hongkong, 2nd July, 1877. [1029]

FOR SINGAPORE AND SAMARANG.
THE Steamship (name will be given at an
 early date), will leave for the above Ports
 on FRIDAY, the 6th July.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
MAN HING.
 Hongkong, 2nd July, 1877. [1028]

FOR SALE.
H A M P A G N E . 1874.
 HINDSBIEK & Co's
M O N O P O L E .
DEETEN & Co.
 Hongkong, 2nd July, 1877. [1m1023]

TO LET.
 THE PREMISES IN BANK BUILDINGS,
 now occupied by THE COMPTON TRADING
 COMPANY OF PARIS. Possession from 1st Oc-
 tober, 1877.
 Apply to
E. R. BEILLON.
 Hongkong, 2nd July, 1877. [10124]

AFRICO MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY

**THE Company's Steamship "CITY OF
 LONDON"** will be despatched to San
 Francisco, Yokohama, THIS DAY, JULY
 3rd, instead of the 30th instant as previously
 advertised.

RUSSELL & Co.,
 Agents.
 Hongkong, 28th June, 1877. [1013]

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 INSURANCE COMPANY OF
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THIS Company is now prepared to issue Po-

URRENT RATES. Every risk taken by this company is participated in by twelve of the largest German Fire Insurance Companies, representing an aggregate Capital and Surplus of over SIXTY MILLION MARKS, equal to FIFTEEN MILLION DOLLARS, thus enabling this Company to accept large lines.

SANDER & Co.,
Agents,
Hongkong, 27th June, 1877. [Sml000]

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF
COMMERCE.

NOTICE.

THE POST OF SECRETARY will become
Vacant on 1st August next.
Applications, addressed to the **CHAIRMAN**, will
be received up to Noon of the 31st July prox.
Salary, \$1,500 per Annum.
HONGKONG, 26th June, 1877. [1001

A SHEFFIELD STEEL FILE AND SAW
MANUFACTURING FIRM of high
reputation is desirous of starting a branch in Hong-
kong. Those who are desirous of pro-
prietorship, or who have any references to the
Trade and can give References in England.
Address Post Office, Box 24, Sheffield. [6489

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STOCK-IN-TRADE OF THE GENERAL
STORE, No. 54, Prince of Wales Street.
J. F. SCHEFFER.
HONGKONG, 26th June, 1877. [1m1000

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer
"AGORWAS" are hereby notified that the
Cargo being delivered to Credit, or Delivery
at the Godowns of the Undermud: in both
cases it will be at Consignees' risk. The cargo
will be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown
after and after the 2nd July, 1877.
Goods undischarged after the 6th July, 1877,
will be subject to Rent.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 2nd July, 1877. (1022)

**BRITISH SAILOR "PERPETRATOR" FROM
LONDON.**

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named
Vessel are hereby requested to send in their
Receipts to the Undermud for Counters
Signature, and to take immediate delivery of
their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel
will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and
expense.

**MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.**
Hongkong, 2nd July, 1877. (341650)

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

**C. S. N. COMPANY'S STEAMSHIPS
"AUSTRALIA" AND "PEKIN."**

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named
vessels, from London, Bombay, and Inter-

steamer "BOXERARA" from Calcutta, are hereby
 notified that their Goods are being landed and
 stored at their risk in the Company's Godown
 West Quay, whence delivery can be obtained
 on this date.
 Goods not delivered by the 6th July will be
 subject to rent.
 ADAM LIND, Superintendent.
 Hongkong, 30th June, 1877. [54102]
 BRITISH STEAMER "MIKADO," BAS-
 CLAY, MASTER FROM LONDON, via
 SINGAPORE
 Consignees of Cargo by the above
 Steamer are hereby informed that their
 Goods are being landed and stored at their risk
 at the Godown of the Undersigned, from whence
 delivery may be obtained.
 Consignees wishing to take delivery of their
 Goods from the Boats alongside the Wharf are
 hereby notified that they must be ready to receive
 Goods remaining on board after the 6th July
 will be subject to rent.
 Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless no-
 tice to the contrary is given before 2 o'clock
 O-DAY.
 Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
 Wm. PERUZZA & Co.,
 Agents for the Steamship "Mikado."
 Hongkong, 29th June, 1877. 1017

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES:
 CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Pacific Mail
 Steamship Company's Steamer
 "CITY OF TOKIO"
 are hereby notified that their Goods are now
 being landed and stored at the Company's God-
 owns, where immediate delivery can be obtained.
 No Fire Insurance has been effected:
 RUSSELL & Co.,
 Agents. [74399]
 Hongkong, 26th June, 1877.
 GERMAN STEAMER HAMBURG, ADAMS'
 Master, from ELLERBE,
 viz SINGAPORE.
 CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above
 Steamer are hereby informed that their
 Goods are being landed and stored at their risk
 in the Godowns of the Undersigned, from
 whom they are to receive the same.
 Consignees wishing to take delivery of their

Goods remaining in store after the 30th inst. will be subject to rent.
Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary is given before Noon TO-
DAY.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
WM. PUSTAU & Co.,
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The Daily Press
HONGKONG, JULY 2ND, 1877.

The people of Fokien have been particularly unfortunate of late. "Unmerciful disaster" has followed fast and followed faster "after them" no sooner have they begun to recover from the effects of one calamity than another overtakes them. Last year the city of Foochow was laid waste by fire, flood, and storm. A great many lives were sacrificed and the destruction of property was on an enormous scale. The effects of the flood and typhoon were not confined to Foochow, but extended over a wide area. Added to these evils there was a partial failure in the grain crops, with the result that a large portion of the food of the people had to be imported. Another great and unexpected inundation has just overwhelmed the devoted city and its surrounding district, and wrought tremendous havoc in it. Hundreds of houses

have been washed away, two thousand persons have, it is computed, lost their lives, and the extent of the damage done cannot at present be estimated. Thousands of poor people have been rendered homeless and destitute by this disastrous inundation, while to add to the general distress the injury to the growing rice crop has been so serious that it is believed about one-third of it has been lost. This will, of course, have the effect of raising the prices, already sufficiently high, necessarily rendering the struggle to live much keener.

According to our Foochow contemporary, the local Authorities displayed commendable zeal in putting down the attempts made by the lawless classes to pillage and create disorder, while they also did what they could to provide shelter and immediate necessities for the unfortunate victims of the flood. It is gratifying to notice, too, that the foreign community lost no time in starting a subscription and administering relief to the starving people. Some two thousand dollars were speedily raised for that purpose, but further funds are urgently needed.

The Herald while giving credit to the Authorities for their laudable efforts to relieve the more pressing wants of the homeless people, thinks that they are deserving of censure for having neglected to take precautions to save the city and its inhabitants from these frequently recurring floods. It would, however, probably be impossible to prevent their recurrence, but there are, as our contemporary suggests, no doubt, means whereby the evil could be greatly lessened. The people should not be allowed to build in the low-lying parts without the protection of an embankment, and steps should be taken to protect the city generally from inundation. The river ought also to be frequently dredged, and the junk people prevented from choking it with ballast. The work of embankment and dredging might involve great expense, and on that account will, it is to be feared, be deferred to the Greek Kalends, unless the reforming Times takes it into his head to render the city proof against the enemy. Unfortunately the provincial treasury is very low, and the local Government suffering from impotency, and this fact is not calculated to forward any scheme of the kind. It is to be hoped, however, that the Futai will bend his energies to the accomplishment of so good and humane an enterprise, even though its immediate results are not likely to be a gain in a pecuniary sense. The money would be far better and more profitably laid out than in the acquisition of gambles like the *Gemma* and *Delta*. It would be difficult, however, to persuade a Chinese official of this undoubted fact.

The Reuters telegrams last received show that the Russians are making decided progress in Europe and continue to sustain reverses in Asia. In Europe they are rapidly accomplishing the passage of the Danube, and the Turks must be still falling back, for it is stated that the Russians have occupied Hirmir, which fortresses the Turks were reported to have taken up their position. It is evident from this that the Turks are retiring altogether from the Dobruja, and their main army will probably fall back among the Balkans, while they will at the same time defend the principal fortresses in Bulgaria. The whole of the Russian army will shortly be in that province, and the campaign will then begin in earnest. Some severe fighting is reported to be going on, but so far there has been no great or decisive engagement fought in which the strength of the contending hosts has been fairly tried. All that has come to the notice of the press is that the Russians have commenced. We can only hope that they will not be very prolonged. But until one of the combatants begins to suffer from exhaustion it is to be feared there will be no chance of peace being again restored.

The British steamer *Spartan* returned from Aberdeen Docks on Saturday evening. The maximum temperature at the Peak during the past week, as recorded in Saturday's Gazette, was 81.0, the minimum 72.0; at the Harbour-Master's Office, Praya Water, the maximum was 80.5 and the minimum 78.5. No rain fell during the week.

The British steamer *Achilles*, which arrived on Saturday, brought on the chief officer, steward, cook, and a seaman belonging to the American ship *Dunkin*, which was wrecked between Batavia and Singapore. They are on route for San Francisco.

A Chinaman was observed on Saturday morning to enter an empty house near the Kowloon Jetty, and afterwards in charge of the premises went to see what he was doing there. Going upstairs they found him in one of the rooms lying in a pool of blood. He had attempted to commit suicide by cutting his throat and bleeding his head with a knife. He was at once conveyed to the Government Civil Hospital, where he now lies in a precarious state.

An Order in Council of His Excellency the Governor in public on Saturday, 29th June, by which it is ordered, under the Naval Stores Ordinance (Hongkong) 1875, that the regulations made by His Excellency Sir Richard Graves, Madras, in Council, on the 28th day of September 1874, under the Naval Stores Ordinance (Hongkong) 1875, shall remain in force until further notice.

Some further changes are announced by the Governor in the Government of the colonies. Sir William Jervois, who recently proceeded to Australia to make arrangements for the fortification of the ports in those colonies, will probably not return, as it is rumored he will succeed Mr. Cairns as Governor of South Australia. Sir Hercules Robinson has been appointed Governor of the Straits Settlements. This is probably the last of the changes, pending a vacancy in India, when Sir Hercules would be promoted.

The Inspector of Schools, Mr. F. Stewart, having been requested to furnish a return of the average expense of each scholar at the Government Schools for 1875, estimated, not by the enrolment, but by the average daily attendance, this information is published in Saturday's Gazette, and is as follows—Expenditure, \$15,244.45; income, \$12,744.45; deficit, \$2,500.00. The average expense of each scholar at the Government Schools, \$13.89; at the Central School, \$29.45; at active schools, \$6.45.

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It was rumored amongst the Chinese that the *Beagle* had been lost. On inquiry, we find that no telegram to this effect had been received by the agent or the Insurance Companies. The *Beagle* left Hongkong on the 19th, and arrived at Yokohama on the 25th.

At Messrs. Lamb, Crawford and Co's there will be an auction, with credit, on the 28th of July, of one of the Principals north and south of the Dambo, the other of Turkey in Europe and Asia Minor, including the Black Sea. They are respectively an estate of an old forty miles to the inch, and by means of colored maps pins any scheme of the kind. The bidders are to be indicated on the receipt of the news, and the military situation seen at a glance. The auction is to be held at the highest credit upon the skill and patience of the gentleman.

POLICE COURT.

June 30th.
Before James Russell, Esq.

ANOTHER TYING-UP CASE.
Fong Ayeo, a head cooler, residing in Third Street, charged with a case of tying up, was brought before the court. The complainant said at 7.30 p.m. yesterday he went to the house of the prisoner, who was engaged to carry bricks. Directly he got into the house he saw the prisoner and a woman who was in the habit of carrying bricks for him. He was pushed into the woman's room by the prisoner and accused of improper conduct with the woman. The defendant and others denied this, and the prisoner was committed to prison for two months.

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TEST TELEGRAMS.

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SUPPLIED TO THE "DAILY PRESS."
[VIA SOUTHERN ROUTE.]

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THE PASSAGE OF THE DANUBE.
The Russian fleet composed of 30,000 troops of the Russian Army have crossed the Danube.

OPERATIONS IN ASIAN TURKEY.
An official Turkish dispatch announces that the Russian troops attacked Zelve (Zewin), but were defeated with very heavy loss.

LONDON, 29th June.
RUSSIAN SUCCESS ON THE DANUBE.
The Russian head-quarters have been transferred to Simulza. Their troops have been transferred to Simulza. The Turkish troops were driven from their entrenchments, and fighting is still proceeding.

A heavy cannonade is going on from Kalafat to Oltuzia.
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.
Sir Hercules Robinson has been appointed Governor of the Straits Settlements.

There is a rumor that Sir W. Jervois (the present Governor) will succeed Governor Cairns in South Australia.
CHINESE NAVAL CADET.
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HOME AND CHINA AFFAIRS.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]
LONDON, 28th May.

ROYAL MOVEMENTS.
The Queen has gone to Balmoral, her object being, I believe, to complete the purchase of a new residence for the late Queen Victoria. This forest is the most beautiful in Scotland, and has been leased to Her Majesty for many years past at £1,600 per annum. Lord Derby's health is, I hear, giving way, under the extreme anxiety and serious responsibility which he has lately undergone. The Prince of Wales went to Portsmouth a few days ago to inspect a lot of ironclads, which have just been got ready for sea. The Admiralty are expected to get into the harbor of Portsmouth a large number of torpedo boats and other small vessels.

THE DUCHESS OF EDINBURGH'S VISIT TO WINDSOR.
The Duchess of Edinburgh is expected to visit Windsor Palace, which she left yesterday for Coburg, of which Duchy her husband is the heir-apparent. The Duchess is made no account of here either for her position or her person, and is treated as a neglected wife. She is very clever indeed, but at the same time neither good-looking nor good-natured. She likes English attacks and servants, but all else English she detests. The Duchess is expected to visit Windsor Palace, which she left yesterday for Coburg, of which Duchy her husband is the heir-apparent. The Duchess is made no account of here either for her position or her person, and is treated as a neglected wife. She is very clever indeed, but at the same time neither good-looking nor good-natured. She likes English attacks and servants, but all else English she detests.

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To explain. The Roman Catholic clergy have been singularly active, lately for some inscrutable reason. Plunderings to the Pope, with large pecuniary gifts from the Emperor of Austria, stirring appeals from His Holiness to the faithful have been of continual occurrence, in which the Government of Germany and Italy have been specially denounced. These have certainly produced some effect, for the Italian Government has their Church Bill in the Senate, where they had calculated upon a large majority. In France the clericals became demagogic and aggressive, and there came upon the Emperor of Austria a series of revolts in the provinces, which he was obliged to suppress by force of arms.

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FIRES AT SEA

A high-contrast, black and white image showing a dense, textured surface, possibly a wall or a large piece of paper, with numerous small, dark, irregular spots and marks scattered across it. The image is framed by a thick black border.

Hongkong, February, 1977.

"DAILY PRESS" OFFICE, WYNDHAM ST.

Hongkong, 20th July, 1872. [H1363]

the United Agents
Hongkong, 16th January, 1877.

allowed to charge a Commission of one per cent. on all Stamps purchased.

